

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. *(Cancelled)*.

2. *(Currently Amended)*: ~~An image reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, An image reproducing apparatus reproducing image information from a recording medium,~~ comprising:

a reproduction processor configured to reproduce the image information stored in the recording medium;

a key input section having a skip key;

a first skip processor configured to cause skipping, when the skip key is pressed a first time, the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for a first predetermined period that takes into account a delay in the first time pressing of the skip key and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the first predetermined period has lapsed; and

a second skip processor configured to cause skipping, when the skip key is pressed two times within a certain period, of the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for the first predetermined period and a second predetermined period, which is longer than the first predetermined period, and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the first predetermined period and the second predetermined period have lapsed,

wherein the first predetermined period is shorter than the second predetermined period by 1 to 5 seconds.

3. *(Currently Amended)*: ~~An image reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, An image reproducing apparatus reproducing image information from a recording medium,~~ comprising:

a reproduction processor configured to reproduce the image information stored in the recording medium;

a key input section having a skip key;

a first skip processor configured to cause skipping, when the skip key is pressed a first time, the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for a first predetermined period that takes into account a delay in the first time pressing of the skip key and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the first predetermined period has lapsed; and

a second skip processor configured to cause skipping, when the skip key is pressed two times within a certain period, of the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for the first predetermined period and a second predetermined period, which is longer than the first predetermined period, and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the first predetermined period and the second predetermined period have lapsed,

wherein the first predetermined period is shorter than a predetermined multiple of 15 seconds by 1 to 5 seconds, and the second predetermined period is a predetermined multiple of 15 seconds.

4. *(Currently Amended):* ~~An image reproducing apparatus according to claim 1,~~ An image reproducing apparatus reproducing image information from a recording medium, comprising:

a reproduction processor configured to reproduce the image information stored in the recording medium;

a key input section having a skip key;

a first skip processor configured to cause skipping, when the skip key is pressed a first time, the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for a first predetermined period that takes into account a delay in the first time pressing of the skip key and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the first predetermined period has lapsed; and

a second skip processor configured to cause skipping, when the skip key is pressed two times within a certain period, of the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for the first predetermined period and a second predetermined period, which is longer than the first predetermined period, and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the first predetermined period and the second predetermined period have lapsed,

wherein the first predetermined period is in the range of about 25 seconds to about 29 seconds, and the second predetermined periods is 30 seconds.

5. – 9. (*Cancelled*).